

**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

**On page 5, please replace the last partial paragraph continuing on page 6 (the first paragraph under [0011]) with the following amended one:**

In Figure 1, an automotive alternator includes: a case 1 constituted by a front bracket 2 and a rear bracket 3 that are each generally cup-shaped and made of aluminum; a shaft 5 rotatably supported in the case 1 by means of first and second bearings 4a and 4b; a pulley 6 affixed to a first end of the shaft 5 that projects outward at a front end of the case 1; a rotor 7 affixed to the shaft 5 and rotatably disposed inside the case 1; fans 8 fixed to first and second axial end surfaces of the rotor 7; a ~~[[rotor]]~~ stator 9 held by an inner wall surface of the case 1 so as to surround the rotor 7; and a pair of slip rings 10 fixed to a second end portion of the shaft 5 so as to supply electric current to the rotor 7. In addition, the automotive alternator includes: a rectifier 11 that is electrically connected to the stator 9 so as to convert alternating current originating in the stator 9 into direct current; and a voltage control apparatus 16.